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FOR: NUCLEIC ACID FRAGMENTS FOR THE
IDENTIFICATION OF DECHLORINATING
BACTERIA

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO COMPLY WITH REQUIREMENTS FOR PATENT
APPLICATIONS CONTAINING NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCE AND/OR AMINO ACID
SEQUENCE DISCLOSURES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This responds to the Office Action faxed to Applicant's
Agent on August 19, 2002, paper 21.

REMARKS

The above referenced notice has checked box number 4
indicating that a copy of the sequence listing in computer
readable form (CRF) has been submitted but does not comply with
the requirements of 37 CFR 1.822 and /or 1.823. Those portions
that are out of compliance are indicated on the raw sequence
listing, attached to paper 21.

The raw sequence listing indicates that SEQ ID NO:7 and
SEQ ID NO:8 contain "n" of Xaa" and an input in the Feature
field is required.

To be fully responsive to the above notice it is indicated
that Applicants are to supply:

- (i) An initial or substitute CRF
- (ii) An initial or substitute paper copy of the Sequence
Listing

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(iii) A statement that the content of the paper and CRF are the same and include no new matter.

Applicants submit herewith:

- (i) A substitute CRF containing corrected SEQ ID NO:7 and 8
- (ii) A paper copy of the corrected Sequence Listing
- (iii) A declaration under 37 CFR 1.821

If the fee associated with this Response is insufficient or incorrect, please charge or credit the balance to Deposit Account No. 04-1928 (E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Company).

Respectfully submitted,



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